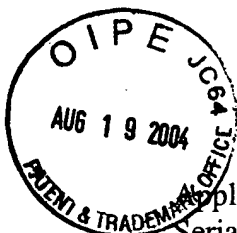


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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 16, 2004, applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group V, claims 7-9, drawn to compounds of Formula I. Applicants elect the species of hydroxy as represented by R, alkoxy as represented by R', and alkyl as represented by R'', the species of NH as represented by A, the species of alkyl as represented by B, an integral value of one for x, an integral value of ten for y, and an integral value of 120 for n, respectively. The election is made without traverse.

Original claims 7 to 9, and new claims 10 to 26 all read on these species.

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